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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE UNITED WAY – EMERGENCY
FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Phase 24 of the Stewart B. McKinney Act funds in the amount of \$25,934.
2. Authorize the Director of Community and Senior Services (CSS), or designee, to expend the EFSP funds to obtain food from the Los Angeles Regional Food bank and the Food Bank of Southern California in an amount not to exceed the grant funds.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Los Angeles Local Federal Emergency Management Agency FEMA Board issued a Request for Proposal for Phase 24 of the EFSP in September 2005. CSS submitted a proposal to supplement the Department's existing Emergency Food Distribution Program, and on February 3, 2006, the Department was awarded \$25,934. The recommended action will allow CSS to continue the Emergency Food Distribution Program in all Supervisorial Districts. Based on FEMA formulas, the EFSP funds will serve approximately 114,873 individual meals to area residents. Funding allocations by Supervisorial Districts will result in the distribution of meals as follows:

Number of Clients Served by Supervisorial District

District 1:	41,772
District 2:	41,772
District 3:	10,443
District 4:	10,443
District 5:	10,443

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support the County's Strategic Goal of Service Excellence.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost associated with this program as it is fully financed by federal funds. Adequate funding has been included in the Department's FY 2005-06 Final Adopted Budget, and FY 2006-07 Proposed Budgets.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

As part of the larger Los Angeles County area submission of an RFP to FEMA, CSS was awarded \$25,934 for the period from November 1, 2005 through October 31, 2006 to purchase food from the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank and the Food Bank of Southern California. Food is obtained at 14 cents per pound, but the retail value is approximately sixteen times greater. The food to be acquired with the EFSP funds was based on the identified needs of the various predetermined "regions" and based on federal poverty guidelines. The chart below details the distribution:

Agency	Projected Supervisorial District Amounts					Total Amounts
	1	2	3	4	5	
<u>Region 1:</u> San Fernando & Antelope Valley			\$2,802.00		\$2,802.00	\$5,604.00
<u>Region 2:</u> San Gabriel & Pomona Valley	\$2,591.00					\$2,591.00
<u>Region 3:</u> Harbor & Southeast	\$2,522.00					\$2,522.00
<u>Region 5:</u> Hollywood, East LA, Downtown, & Midtown	\$3,618.50			\$3,618.50		\$7,237.00
<u>Region 6:</u> South Central & Compton		\$7,980.00				\$7,980.00
Total	\$8,731.50	\$7,980.00	\$2,802.00	\$3,618.50	\$2,802.00	\$25,934.00

The food augments the Department's Emergency Food Distribution Program "Foodnet" that operates food pantries through its network of Community and Senior Centers countywide (Attachment A). CSS augments the EFSP meals by providing an additional 50,422 "food baskets" that equate to approximately 201,688 meals to help unemployed, low income, homeless, and senior citizens residing within the five Los Angeles County Supervisorial Districts in USDA food subsidies to the County.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended action for the EFSP will enhance current services and ensure continuation of the Department's Emergency Food Distribution Program.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cynthia D. Banks", written over the printed name.

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Attachment (1)

c: CAO
 County Counsel
 Executive Officer

**Community & Senior Services
2004/05 Foodnet Emergency Food Distribution Sites**

Service Center	Supervisory District	Telephone	Distribution Dates	Link to DPS S*
Centro Maravilla Service Center 4716 Cesar E. Chavez Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90022	1 st	(323) 260-2805	Daily Monday - Friday	Yes
East Los Angeles Service Center 133 No. Sunol Drive Los Angeles, CA 90063	1 st	(323) 260-2806	Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday	Yes
San Gabriel Valley Service Center 1441 Santa Anita Avenue S. El Monte, CA 91733	1 st	(626) 575-5431	Every Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Yes
Los Nietos Senior Center 11640 W. Slauson Avenue Whittier, CA 90606	1 st	(562) 699-2040	2 nd & 4 th Friday of the Month	Yes
Asian Service Center 14112 S. Kingsley Drive Gardena, CA 90249	2 nd	(310) 217-7300	Every Monday afternoon	Yes
East Rancho Dominguez Service Center 4513 E. Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90221	2 nd	(310) 603-7401	2 nd & 3 rd Thursday of the Month	Yes
Florence/Firestone Service Center 7807 S. Compton Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90001	2 nd	(323) 586-6502	Monday thru Friday	Yes
Willowbrook Senior Center 12915 Jarvis Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90061	2 nd	(310) 603-3358	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday 10:00 a.m.	No
San Fernando Valley Service Center 7555 Van Nuys Boulevard Van Nuys, CA 91405	3 rd	(818) 901-3501	Every Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Yes
San Pedro Service Center 769 W. Third Street San Pedro, CA 90731	4 th	(310) 510-6091	Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday	Yes
Santa Clarita Valley 24271 San Fernando Road Newhall, CA 91321	5 th	(661) 726-4400	Monday thru Friday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Yes

*Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) has been participating at the above service and senior centers offering clients applications for eligibility of food stamps.